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**Testimony in Support of  
S.B. No. 318, 'An Act Concerning Private School Transportation'**

Before the Education Committee

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As a *teacher* at Mercy High School, I support S.B. No. 318.

I have been a teacher at Mercy for 34 years and the students who attend our school thrive here in this environment as my daughters did when they came to Mercy. In light of recent school closures it would only add to the town's burden to have these students in their schools and close a vital and special school I am also a graduate of. Perhaps some kind of reimbursement to towns that supply the transportation is the answer but not one that would close yet another Catholic school of long standing excellence.

For these reasons, I urge the committee to support S.B. No. 318.

Sincerely,

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